Abolition of posts in the Ministry of I and B

3019. SHRI YADLAPATI VENKAT RAO:

SHRI KAPIL SIBAL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to abolish 1334 posts in various departments of her Ministry on the recommendation of the Expenditure Reforms Commission;

(b) if not, the details in this regard;

(c) whether Government have also identified the posts for abolition;

(d) if so, the categories and the number of these posts; and

(e) what will be the total annual financial saving by abolition of these posts?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) to (e) The Ministry of Information and Broadcasting have agreed to abolition of 1334 posts, subject to certain steps to be taken for rationalisation of different organisations as under:—

S.No.	Name of the Media Unit	Posts that can be abolished
1.	Press Information Bureau	134
2.	Publications Division	112
3.	Song and Drama Division	26
4.	Research, Reference and Training Division	27
5.	Directorate of Field Publicty	482
6.	Directorate of Advertising and Visual Publicity	190
7.	Films Division	363

Since the financial savings would depend on the manner of reorganisation of media units, and estimation has not been done yet.

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